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For: **Analogs of Human basic Fibroblast Growth Factor**  
Inventors: Springer *et al.*  
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1. Information Disclosure Statement (*in duplicate*);
2. Form PTO-1449 (17 sheets);
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